

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently) The friction material of claim 4 14, wherein the fibrous base layer material comprises about 80% by weight fibers and about 20% by weight filler.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The friction material of claim 4 14, wherein the fibrous base material is a non-woven fibrous material.

5. (Currently Amended) The friction material of claim 4 14, wherein the fibrous base material is a woven fibrous material.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) The friction material of claim 4 14, wherein the fibrous base material has an average pore diameter of about 5 to about 8 μ m.

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The friction material of claim 4 14, wherein the resin comprises at least one of: phenolic resin, at least one modified phenolic resin, at least one silicon resin, at least one silicone modified resin, at least one epoxy resin, at least one epoxy modified resin, or mixtures of the above.

10 - 13. (Canceled)

14. (New) A friction material comprising a fibrous base material wherein the fibrous base material comprises about 75% to about 85%, by weight, fibers and about 15% to about 25%, by weight, fillers based on the weight of the fibrous base material, wherein the fibrous base material has an average voids volume from about 50% to about 85%, and wherein the fibrous base material is impregnated with a resin.

15. (New) The friction material of claim 14 wherein the fibers are less fibrillated aramid fibers.

16. (New) The friction material of claim 14 wherein the fibrous base

material comprises about 35 to about 45%, by weight, of a less fibrillated aramid fiber; about 5 to about 15%, by weight, cotton fibers, about 2 to about 20%, by weight, carbon fibers; and, about 15 to about 25%, by weight of the fillers.

17. (New) the friction material of claim 14, wherein the fibrous base material comprises, by wt., from about 15 to about 25% cotton fibers, about 40 to about 50% aramid fibers, 10 to about 20% carbon fibers, and about 15 to about 25% of the fillers.

18. (New) The friction material of claim 14 wherein the fibrous base material includes about 20 to about 70% by weight of the resin.